Crusader Connections

Father Andrew White S.J. School Newsletter

Jan. 12, 2021

"Let us not love with words or speech, but with actions and in truth."

-1 John 3:18

Important Dates

January 15: Early Dismissal, 12:30pm **(NO AFTERCARE)**

January 18: No School - Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Meatball Making Day

January 21: End of 2nd Quarter

January 29: March for Life

January 31 - February 6: Catholic Schools Week

February 6: Italian Dinner & Brown Bag Auction

We have a 12:30pm Early Dismissal **this Friday, January 15th**. There will be **NO AFTERCARE**.

No School: There will be no school on **Monday, January 18th** in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Italian Dinner Volunteers Needed: Our annual Italian Dinner is fast-approaching and we are in need of volunteers to make this event happen. This is a great opportunity to be part of a family-fun event and meet parents from other classes.

Meatball Prep.: Monday, Jan. 18, 2021
FAW Kitchen: 10am-2pm (MLK Day- No School)

Italian Dinner: Saturday, Feb. 6, 2021
FAW Kitchen: Various jobs and time slots available from 10am-8.30pm
It will be a drive-thru event in February, so if you want to stay warm, sign up for the kitchen jobs fast!

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090844AFAB23AAF94-italian

There are 23 jobs/slots still needing to be filled. If you are a service scholarship family, kindly remember this is one of the three big events that are required this year. Thank you in advance for your help!

Annual Italian Dinner

We will be having a Drive-Thru Italian Dinner in the evening on Sunday, February 6th from 4-7pm. All are invited! The cost is $10 for adults, $5 for kids 4-12, and free for 3 and under. This includes delicious spaghetti, homemade meatballs, garlic bread, drinks, and dessert. Please see the flyer for more details!

School Hours

8:20am - 2:25pm

Log your volunteer hours before the end of the 2nd quarter!

FAW Volunteers are the best!

Playground Volunteers sign-up here

Get excited for the **2021 BROWN BAG AUCTION!!** These fun-filled baskets will be on display in school, the car-pickup line and the Italian Dinner drive-thru line. Not to mention the baskets will be displayed online for our at-home learners and families to have a chance to win! To make this "FUN"draiser possible, we need your help! Your donations of new items, gift cards or completed themed baskets are greatly appreciated. Please see the flyer for donation information. Thank you!

If you haven't yet, check out the new app by our SCRIP gift card supplier. It's called RaiseRight!

RaiseRight.

It's an easy way to track your gift card balances and there are surprise bonuses on Wednesdays this month.

FAW Annual Giving Campaign: As you may know, Father Andrew White School has an Annual Giving Campaign, where we reach out to families, alumni, and local parishioners to raise funds for the school. This year, we are raising funds to purchase new K-5 Reading/Language Arts textbooks and accompanying supplemental resources and materials. A letter will be sent home in the coming weeks. Thank you for prayerfully considering donating to this important fund that directly benefits our children.

FAW News Email: Do you have an announcement you'd like to put in our weekly bulletin? Or perhaps you went to a FAW event and you'd like to share some information. We have created an email where you can send pictures, blurbs, etc. This will help us get new items in our bulletin, on our lobby TV, and on our website. Email: FAWnews@fatherandrewwhite.org **Kindly send anything you'd like considered in the Announcements by Friday evening of the week prior.**

Calling all **Band** parents… remember to sign up for your monthly lessons: www.calendly.com/roderickamp. Email Ms. Roderick at neena.roderick@gmail.com if you have any questions.

Whooo's Reading

Father Andrew White will be running a 2021 Read-a-Thon from January 13, 2021 to January 27, 2021. Please check your child's folder for login instructions on how to activate your child's account! Join the fun!

"Ask Him to give you an awareness that when you feel as though something is missing, it's usually Him."

~ Jane Trufant Harvey

THANK YOU!

A special note of thanks for all of your support during our week of virtual learning. We appreciate the extra hard work from our teachers and parents who helped ensure our students continued to learn. Thank you!

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CELEBRATE CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK 2021

January 31 - February 6 #CSW21

Catholic Schools Week starts January 31st. To kick off the weeklong celebration, each of our three parishes will highlight our school at the Masses that weekend. This year we are only having our students speak at the end of Mass (or be videotaped ahead of time if students are not able to attend the live Mass). **Please sign up your child to speak by emailing us at fawnews@fatherandrewwhite.org.**

Out of parish families are cordially invited to share in the liturgical celebration at St. Aloysius (Leonardtown), St. Francis Xavier (Compton), or Our Lady's at Medley's Neck. More information and a schedule of all the week's events will be sent home in the upcoming weeks.

Handbook Highlight: "Accessories: In keeping with the simplicity of a uniform, accessories should be minimal as follows:

- Wristwatches may be worn (those with sound capabilities should be set to silent mode)
- Bracelets or hair ties of any kind worn on the wrist are not permitted
- Due to the standalone capability of some models/brands to send and receive text messages and take pictures, no smartwatches of any kind (i.e. Apple Watch, Android Watch, etc.) may be worn at any time, even if their "smart" functions can be 'turned off'
- Rings of any kind are not to be worn
- A plain chain necklace with a cross or religious medal is the only necklace that may be worn
- Modest, appropriate stud earrings (one in each ear) may be worn – in the interest of safety, no hoops of any size nor any dangling earrings are permissible
- For safety reasons, no jewelry is to be worn on PE days
- No make-up is not to be worn to school
- No nail polish, artificial nails, or French manicures (regardless of out-of-school commitments)
- Visible body markings such as temporary tattoos must be covered with a bandage until they have worn off or been removed
- Students may not draw tattoo-like markings on any visible parts of their bodies with pens or markers"

PART-TIME CUSTODIAN POSITION AVAILABLE

St. Aloysius Church is seeking a **Building and Grounds Custodian**. The position includes cleaning and maintaining parish buildings and grounds, includes grass cutting. Background check required. **If interested, please call Denise at the Church Office at 301-475-8064.**

Make a reservation on the school website to paint the rock.

SPIRIT ROCK

Paint it for birthdays, school events, encouragement or special occasions for $20 a day! Show your school spirit and your FAW pride for all to see!

http://fatherandrewwhite.org/spirit-rock/

Weekly Reminders:

- ❑ Activate your child's Whooo's Reading account
- ❑ Donate items to the Brown Bag Auction
- ❑ Sign up to make Meatballs
- ❑ Sign up to help at the Italian Dinner
- ❑ Sign up for monthly band lessons
- ❑ Send FAW news to FAWnews@fatherandrewwhite.org

Starting TOMORROW!!

- Authorize your child's Reading-Raiser account
- Become a sponsor
- Invite more sponsors
- Log books
- Have fun

January 13 – 27, 2021

WHOOO'S READING

Learn 2 Earn!

It's a Read-a-thon

A Reading-Raiser is like a jog-a-thon, except your child will be reading books instead of running laps, and earning pledges based on how much they read. Everything will be tracked online, which makes inviting sponsors and logging reading much easier! As students read they will earn chances to win prizes such as an Amazon Fire or Kindle, as well as prizes for the whole class such as a FREE TAG DAY, or pizza party all while raising money for FAW!

More information, including logins, to follow soon!

www.whooosreading.org

Italian Dinner

Feb. 6, 2021 • 4-7pm
Drive-Thru

SPAGHETTI, MEATBALLS, GARLIC BREAD, DRINKS & DESSERT

ADULTS: $10
KIDS 4-12: $5
3 & UNDER: FREE

ALL ARE WELCOME!

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BROWN BAG AUCTION

TO CREATE THE FUN THEMED BASKETS THAT FAW STUDENTS AND FAMILIES LOVE, YOUR DONATIONS ARE NEEDED:

- NEW GIFTS, TOYS, AND ITEMS
- MONETARY DONATIONS OR GIFT CARDS
- COMPLETED THEMED BASKETS

Please send donations to the school office or contact a BBA Committee member to coordinate.

<u>Basket Theme Favorites and Ideas</u>:
Game Night, Movie Night, School Spirit, Furry Friend, Kids Crafts, Littlest Artist, Sports, Local Wine, Shopping Spree, Summertime, Parents' Night Out, Tea and Coffee, Baking, Superhero, and Snow Day.
The possibilities are endless!

Donations needed by Friday, January 22nd. Thank you!!

YOUR DONATIONS ARE NEEDED!

Did you receive duplicate Christmas gifts? Or have any new items you have not used? The BBA Committee will happily accept these as donations.

BBA COMMITTEE CONTACTS:

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THANK YOU

To the families who have already donated items or offered to donate a themed basket.